

## CALIFORNIA CORRECTIONS STANDARDS AUTHORITY 2011 Status Offender General Information

The Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act of 2002 (JJDPA)<sup>1</sup> requires the Corrections Standards Authority (CSA) to monitor juvenile detention facilities for compliance with the following core requirement:

## Deinstitutionalization of Status Offenders (JJDPA Section 223 (a) [11]):

Minors who are charged with only a status offense (Welfare and Institutions Code [WIC] § 601) or who are nonoffenders (WIC § 300) must not be held in secure detention.

Compliance with JJDPA core requirements is required for California to receive its portion of Title II Formula Grant Funds for prevention and intervention and Title V Community Prevention Grant Funds.

In accordance with the JJDPA, the CSA is required to submit the number of status offenders and nonoffenders held in secure detention annually to the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP), in addition to reporting any violations of the JJDPA. This survey is designed to assist the CSA with data collection and reporting requirements.

Agencies that operate secure juvenile detention facilities are required to complete the 2011 Status Offender Detention Report each time a status offender minor (as defined in Section 601 WIC) is released from the facility.

- A separate Status Offender Detention Report form is to be completed each time a status offender minor is detained and submitted after the minor has been released.
- If a minor is committed for consecutive weekends, complete a <u>separate</u> report for each individual detention period. Submit the report each time <u>after the minor has been released</u>.
- This form is to be submitted to the CSA by the 10<sup>th</sup> of the month if any status offenders were held and released during the preceding month.
- All sections are to be completed before submission.

Summary of the JJDPA: Juvenile Detention or Correctional Facilities	
Accused (pre-disposition) juvenile status offender	Secure hold limited to 24 hours prior to and 24 hours after an initial court appearance (excluding weekends and holidays).
Adjudicated (post-disposition) juvenile status offender (WIC 601 Ward of the Court)	Secure holding prohibited.
Status offender accused of violating a valid court order (WIC 601 Ward of the court pending finding of contempt of court)	Juvenile must be interviewed by an appropriate public agency within 24 hours of being placed in secure custody. The court must receive an assessment from the public agency and the juvenile must have a reasonable cause hearing within 48 hours of being placed in secure custody. Time limits exclude weekends and holidays.
Status offender adjudicated for violating a valid court order. (WIC601 Ward of the court with a true finding of contempt of court and given confinement time)	No restrictions on holding.

\*\*\*Please be aware that in addition to the JJDPA core requirements, WIC Sections 601 and 207 also apply to the detention of status offenders.\*\*\*

If you have any questions regarding the 2011 Status Offender Detention Report, please contact Peg Symonik at (916) 323-9704 or e-mail peg.symonik@cdcr.ca.gov.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Pub. L. No. 93-415 (1974), 42 U.S.C. 5601. For more information on the JJDPA and compliance monitoring, please visit: http://www.ojidp.ncjrs.gov/compliance/index.html